

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on the Obama Administration's ESEA reauthorization priorities, after receiving testimony from Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education.

BANKRUPTCY REFORM AND SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded a hearing to examine bankruptcy reform, focusing on small business jobs, after receiving testimony from Judge Thomas B. Bennett, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Alabama, Birmingham; Judge A. Thomas Small (Ret.), United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Fairfax, Virginia, on behalf of the National

Bankruptcy Conference; Edward D. Mendenhall, Jr., East Bay Fitness, Warren, Rhode Island; Charles D. Bullock, Stevenson and Bullock, P.L.C., Southfield, Michigan; and Joseph R. Mason, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge.

RISING DRUG PRICES FOR SENIORS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine seniors, focusing on rising drug prices, the Part D program, beneficiary out-of-pocket costs, and efforts to obtain price concessions for certain high-cost drugs, after receiving testimony from John E. Dicken, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Gerard Anderson, Johns Hopkins University Center for Hospital Finance and Management, Baltimore, Maryland; John E. Calfee, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C.; Gregory Hamilton, Algonquin, Illinois; and Willafay H. McKenna, Williamsburg, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 4865–4871, 4873–4875; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 1188–1189 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1190, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 111–441);

H.R. 4715, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program (H. Rept. 111–442); and

H.R. 4872, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (H. Rept. 111–443).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Bishop Jerry Hutchins, Timothy Baptist Church, Athens, Georgia.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Honoring the accomplishments of Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor: H. Res. 1141, to honor the accomplishments of Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman to serve on the United States Supreme Court, by a yea-and-nay

vote of 416 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 123; Pages H1524–26, H1558

Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act: S. 1147, to prevent tobacco smuggling and to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, by a yea-nay vote of 387 yeas to 25 nays, Roll No. 124;

Pages H1526–35, H1558–59

Plain Writing Act of 2010: H.R. 946, amended, to enhance citizen access to Government information and services by establishing that Government documents issued to the public must be written clearly, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas to 33 nays, Roll No. 126;

Pages H1538–40, H1560

Electronic Message Preservation Act: H.R. 1387, amended, to amend title 44, United States Code, to require preservation of certain electronic records by Federal agencies and to require a certification and reports relating to Presidential records; Pages H1540–42

Requiring any amounts remaining in a Member's Representational Allowance at the end of a fiscal year to be deposited in the Treasury: H.R. 4825, amended, to require any amounts remaining in a Member's Representational Allowance at the end of a fiscal year to be deposited in the Treasury and used for deficit reduction or to reduce the Federal debt, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 413 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 127;

Pages H1542–44, H1561

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To direct unused appropriations for Members' Representational Allowances to be deposited in the Treasury and used for deficit reduction or to reduce the Federal debt." **Page H1561**

Florida National Forest Land Adjustment Act: H.R. 3954, amended, to release Federal reversionary interests retained on certain lands acquired in the State of Florida under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, to authorize the interchange of National Forest System land and State land in Florida, and to authorize an additional conveyance under the Florida National Forest Land Management Act of 2003, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 125; **Pages H1546–48, H1559–60**

Continuing Extension Act of 2010: H.R. 4851, amended, to provide a temporary extension of certain programs; and **Pages H1548–53**

Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act of 2010: H.R. 4853, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program. **Pages H1553–58**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, March 16th:

Recognizing the 150th anniversary of Augustana College: H. Res. 1089, amended, to recognize the 150th anniversary of Augustana College, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 120; **Page H1535**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Recognizing the 150th anniversary of Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois." **Page H1535**

Expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day: H. Res. 1167, to express the support of the House of Representatives for the goals and ideals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 121; and **Pages H1535–36**

Congratulating the 2009–2010 University of Maryland Men's Basketball Team: H. Res. 1184, to congratulate the 2009–2010 University of Maryland Men's Basketball Team, Greivis Vasquez, and Coach Gary Williams on an outstanding season, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 279 yeas to 132 nays with 6 voting "present", Roll No. 122. **Pages H1536–37**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at 1:47 p.m. **Page H1537**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Roy Wilson Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 4214, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45300 Portola Avenue in Palm Desert, California, as the "Roy Wilson Post Office"; **Pages H1537–38**

State Admission Day Recognition Act: H.R. 3542, amended, to direct the Architect of the Capitol to fly the flag of a State over the Capitol each year on the anniversary of the date of the State's admission to the Union; and **Pages H1544–45**

Agricultural Credit Act: H.R. 3509, to reauthorize State agricultural mediation programs under title V of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1987. **Page H1545**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H1535 and H1562–63.

Senate Referrals: S. 1782 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1535, H1536, H1536–37, H1558, H1559, H1559–60, H1560 and H1561. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on NOAA FY 2011 Budget. Testimony was heard from Jane Lubchenco, Under Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator, Department of Commerce.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on FBI FY 2011 Budget. Testimony was heard from Robert S. Mueller, Director, FBI, Department of Justice.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Contingency Contracting. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Shay Assad, Director, Defense Procurement, Acquisition Policy and Strategic Sourcing; and Jeff Parson, Executive Director, Army Contracting Command; and William Solis, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management Team, GAO.